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3.	Maharashtra (a) Genl Admin. Dept. Govt. of Maharashtra	(a) Release of Stamp on Punjab Rao Deshmukh. 06.04.98	(b) 08.04.94	(a) The proposal was not according to guidelines in 1994. This is being considered again.
	(b) -do-	(b) Release of Stamp on Sri. G.G. alias Kakasaheb Cholkar, 18.06.97	(b) 26.08.96	(b) The proposal was considered by the Philatelic Advisory Committee but not recommened.
4.	Tripura Minister of inf. & Cultural Govt. of Tripura	Stamp on themes related to Tripura	21.11.97	The proposal is under consideration
5.	Tamilnadu Sec. Public (Genl-I) Dept. Govt. of TN.	Release of stamp on Sardar A. Vadarathinam. 12.08.97.	15.07.97	The stamp was released on 25.02.98.
6.	West Bengal Mayor, Asansol Mun. Corporation.	Release of Stamp on Kazi Nazrul Islam. 21.07.97	26.04.97	Approved for release in 1999.

Quality of Doordarshan Programmes

830. SHRI RAMKRISHNA BABA PATIL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether standard/quality of telecast of programmes on Doordarshan has improved since Prasar Bharati Board has come into existence;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the serials approved by Board have not been provided with final payments to the concerned parties; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ) : (a) to (c) The Prasar Bharati Board has come into existence only on 23.11.97 and it is still too early to make any comment on this.

(d) No, Sir. There is no information to the effect that the Board has approved serials.

(e) Does not arise.

Sister Nivedita's House

831. SHRIMATI KRISHNA BOSE : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have any plan of preserving the house where Sister Nivedita lived in Calcutta and where she started the girls school inspired by Swami Vivekananda;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government have any plan to celebrate the centenary of Sister Nivedita's arrival in India?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) and (b) The Government have no plans, as of now, to preserve the house in Calcutta associated with Sister Nivedita.

(c) Government support is available to voluntary organisations under the Scheme for Financial Assistance for Centenary and Anniversary Celebrations.

HPT Doordarshan Kendra at Mysore

832. SHRI A. SIDDARAJU : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether High Power T.V. Transmitter was sanctioned for Mysore City;

(b) if so, the estimated cost and the amount so far spent on the said work;

(c) the time by which the above T.V. transmitter is likely to become operational; and

(d) the amount proposed to be spent during 1998-99?